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Appl. No. UNKNOWN

Group:

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For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREOF

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

In order to place the above-identified application in better condition for examination, please amend the application as follows: